

## GREAT INAUGURAL PREPARATIONS.

The Cosmos Club Submits a Dainty Program Which Shows Thoroughness of Detail—Notes.

The citizens of Washington, D. C., under the auspices of the Cosmos Club, request the honor of your presence Tuesday evening, March fifth, nineteen hundred and one, at Builders Exchange Hall, Thirteenth between G and H sts, northwest. Dancing at nine o'clock.

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MR LEWIS H. DOUGLASS.

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The above is the form of invitation of the citizens of Washington to the strangers who will come to Washington in attendance upon the inaugural ceremonies. Anybody at all acquainted with Washington's colored citizens will recognize at once that an entertainment in the hands of the gentlemen named cannot be otherwise than first class in every particular. Those who were here four years ago will re-

member the reception given at this same hall; it was a grand success, though handicapped in some respects from lack of ample room for ladies' wraps, etc. This time the entire building is in the hands of the committee, giving them a supper room quite as large as the dancing hall, and where all can be served at the same time. Ladies' rooms and gents' rooms have been thoroughly renovated, repainted and gilded, making the entire premises the handsomest and most conven-



PROF. ROBERT H. TERRELL.

ient in Washington for purposes of a public reception and ball. No expense has been spared in the preparation for this grand function, and it will be without doubt the finest of the kind ever before attempted by the colored citizens of Washington.

Persons out of town who intend being present at this reception may communicate with Mr. Berkeley Waller, secretary, 609 F street, n. w., for full particulars as to invitations, etc. Strangers should give their postoffice address upon their arrival.

## Its Alright.

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Those who would like to have one of these watches should read their advertisement in another column or should write to The Colored American, Washington, D. C., for particulars. It is a present worth having. The Douglass watch is alright.

In Negro journalism, The Colored American certainly is in the lead. That's right Bro. Cooper, go on up the heights. When you get there no one will ask you how you got there, nor from whence you came, but all will at once extend to you the right hand of fellowship. There is plenty of room at the top.—Red Bank (N. J.) Messenger.

It is a poor social club that can't afford some sort of an old banquet during inauguration.

## The Sunflower State News.

Baldwin, Kans., Special.—Growing out of the mass meeting held here a few weeks ago by the Negroes, a club has been organized for the advancement and improvement of the general welfare of the Negro. The club is named after Booker T. Washington. Its motto contains the theme of his life—continued advancement by means of tireless energy. Permanent officers will be elected at the next meeting.

Misses Christina Brown and Maude Crosby entertained a few select friends at Miss Brown's residence on valentine evening. All present report an enjoyable evening was spent. Mr. Roger Fox won the expensive present for the gentleman winning the most games of various kinds. Choice and artistic refreshments were served.

## St. Luke's Choir.

After a years' unexcelled service as choirmaster of St. Luke's church, Mr. Thompkins retires March 1st entirely of his own suggestion and of his own volition. The superb aggregation of singers who have made St. Luke's services so spiritually helpful and bright will remain substantially the same without any reorganization under Mr. Arthur J. Harley, late organist of St. George's cathedral, W. I., who succeeds Mr. Thompkins.

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## Singing School at Shiloh.

The Young People's Singing School at Shiloh Baptist church re opened last Sunday afternoon and will continue during the Spring Exercises from 3 30 to 5 p. m. This Singing School is preparatory to re organizing the former Shiloh Lyceum. The affairs of the church are in fine shape and a large number was recently added. Baptizing is to take place first Sunday in March.

## Howard Night at Bethel.

It was banner night at the Bethel Literary and Historical Association last Tuesday night. The program was an interesting one, and the several departments of Howard University were ably presented by graduates and men who have won their way up in life. The next issue of The Colored American will contain a full report of this meeting, giving a brief account of Howard University with portraits of the speakers and those who are connected with the University now.

## Dr. Croffut on the Filipinos.

Dr. W. A. Croffut, secretary of the District Anti Imperialist League, and a staunch friend of the Negro, will address the Second Baptist Lyceum tomorrow at 3:30 p. m., sharp, subject, "Concerning the Filipinos." By request Prof. John T. Layton will render a bass solo. All are invited. Time will be allowed for discussion.

Mr. Jesse Fairfax gave a very pleasant stag to some friends at the residence of Mrs. Mattie Brown of H st., north west. Among the gentlemen present were; Messrs. James E. Ellington, John Hughes, Joseph E. Walker, William Robinson, Charles Williams, James W. Lee, John Pleasant, John S. Lee, W. M. Carter, Ed Allen and others.

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